

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 24329

E.O.11652: GDS  
TAGS: EMIN, TH  
SUBJ: STATUS OF THAI ZINC

1. MR. NEIL ASHDOWN OF THAI ZINC ADVISES (ON STRICTLY  
CONFIDENTIAL BASIS) THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE PRESENTLY BEING  
CONDUCTED IN SEOUL BETWEEN THE WHASHIN INDUSTRIAL GROUP  
AND NEW JERSEY ZINC FOR THE SALE OF NEW JERSEY ZINC'S  
INTEREST IN THAI ZINC TO WHASHIN. ALTHOUGH THE TERMS OF  
THE AGREEMENT ARE STILL BEING WORKED OUT, ASHDOWN  
ANTICIPATES THAT THE SALE WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE END  
OF THIS WEEK.

2. ACCORDING TO ASHDOWN, NEW JERSEY ZINC HAS DEFINITELY  
DECIDED TO SELL ITS SHARE IN THAI ZINC. HE DESCRIBED  
WHASHIN AS A "TRADING COMPANY" AND SPECULATED THAT EVEN IF  
WHASHIN BUYS OUT JERSEY ZINC'S INTEREST, WHASHIN WILL  
PROBABLY HAVE TO HIRE THE SERVICES OF A SUCCESSFUL  
AMERICAN COMPANY TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY EXPERTISE TO  
MAKE THAI ZINC'S PROJECT VIABLE. ABRAMOWITZ

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